

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 452

By Bass

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jennifer Stephens, 2007
Valedictorian of Marshall County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Stephens is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2007 graduating class at Marshall County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Stephens has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Jennifer has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Beta Club, which she served as Secretary; the Tri-M Music Honor Society, which she served as Vice-President; the high school chorus, which she served as Secretary; the community chorus; and the newspaper staff; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Jennifer was chosen to serve as a delegate to Girls' State, earned the AAA Tiger award, was crowned with Highest Honor Graduates status, gained recognition in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, was chosen by her peers as "Most Intellectual," and gained Most Valuable Student of the Month; and

WHEREAS, already a pillar of her community, she delivers food to the elderly and teaches Vacation Bible School Classes at her church; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Ronnie and Patti Stephens, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Stephens's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2007 Marshall County High School Valedictorian, Jennifer Stephens, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.